

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to George Lewis SC3368
Audited Account No. 4545 & 4546²

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No. 210 Book R

Mr. George Lewis his account of 477 days Militia duty in 1780 & 1781

Amounting to £153.6.5 Stg. [Sterling]

Ex^d. W.R. [Examined by W. R. [identity unknown]]

J. M^c. A.G. [approved by] John McCall, Adjutant General]

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State of South Carolina

To George Lewis

Dr. £ S D

1780

To 477 days Service as Lieut. on Horseback in Captain

Thomas Price's Company, Commencing the 22nd May

1780 and Ending the 10th September 1781 both days

Inclusive at 45/ [45 shillings old SC currency] per day

£1,073.5.0

Currency

£1,073.5.0

Sterling

£153.6.5

Ninety Six District } Before me John Thomas Junior Esquire personally appeared George Lewis who being duly sworn saith the above Account as it Stands Stated is Just and true. Sworn before me this

25th day of June 1784

S/ J Thomas Junior

S/ Geo: Lewis

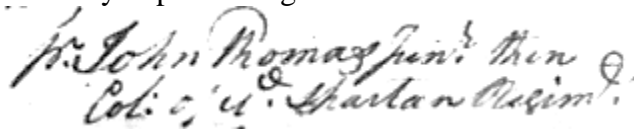
¹ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The "SC" file number shown on this transcript has been assigned by the administrator of this website for indexing purposes only and is not an officially recognized file number. The number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.

² The documents in these 2 files are identical except that Audited Account 4546 erroneously contains documents relating to Hugh Lewis.



I do hereby Certify that George Lewis did duty as a Lieutenant with Captain Price as a volunteer for South Carolina in defense of this State, and that I do assert his Account to be Just, as great part of the duty was done with me

Per S/ John Thomas Junior, then
Col: of ye Spartan Regiment



[p 6: Printed form of Indent No. 210 Book R

[p 7: Reverse of the above Indent bearing endorsements, among others, by George Lewis who signature thereon appears as follows:



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5 December 1796 Petition of George Lewis

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To the Honorable the Speaker and the House of Representatives –

The petition of George Lewis of Spartanburg County Humbly Sheweth that your petitioner was an inhabitant of this State previous to the War between Great Britain and this Country and that your petitioner early took an active part in behalf of America in said War – that while he was engaged in the siege of Augusta³ he had the misfortune to be infected with the small pox by which disorder he has totally lost his eyesight – and as your petitioner is a poor man with a small family he is rendered unable to provide for himself or his family – Your petitioner has expended great sums to physicians for the recovery of his sight without any effect by which he is greatly impoverished – Your petitioner therefore humbly hopes your Honorable House will take his case into your serious consideration and grant him such relief as to your Wisdoms shall seem meet,⁴ and your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray

S/ Geo. Lewis



2nd of December 1796

³ Most likely the second siege of Augusta Siege of Augusta (second/Clarke) [May 22-June 6, 1781]
<http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/810522-augusta/>

⁴ In Samuel Johnson's Dictionary of 1755, the first definition of the word "meet" he gives is "Fit; proper...." Johnson noted that even at that time the word "meet" was rarely so used. It must have become fairly popular in South Carolina in the early 1800's, however, as it appears in many petitions submitted to the SC Legislature.

[p 13: Identical petition addressed to the South Carolina Senate]

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The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of George Lewis Report.

That they have considered the Case of the Petitioner and as the allegations contained in the Petition are supported by the most respectable Testimony – They recommend that the Petitioner be placed on the Pension List & allowed the Pension granted by law to Persons who were wounded or disabled during the War.

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The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of George Lewis Report that they have Considered the allegations therein Set forth, and find them to be true, they, therefore Recommend that the Petitioner be allowed the same Pension that maimed and Disabled Soldiers are Entitled to, his Pension to Commence on the 1st Day of January 1795.

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The Petition of sundry inhabitants of Spartanburg District kept praying that George Lewis be Struck off the Pension List of the State of South Carolina
Pensions
we recommend that he be struck off the pension List
Major Smith

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State of South Carolina Spartanburg District

The Honorable President and other members of the Senate of the State aforesaid

Your Petitioners humble [sic] Sheweth, that George Lewis a citizen of the District and State aforesaid in and about the close of the Revolutionary war was deprived of his eyesight by the small pox as your Petitioners are informed and believe, that the said George Lewis was in the year of our Lord 1796 in consideration of the loss of his eyes placed on the pension list of the State by a resolution of the Legislature and has ever Since drawn annually from the Treasury of the same the sum of five pounds – Your Petitioners are of an opinion and are in hopes your Honorable body will be of the Same that the said George Lewis ought to be stricken from the list of pensioners, and in Support of that opinion beg leave to state that the said George Lewis is the real owner, proprietor and possessor of 6 Negroes and 212 acres of land lying in the District & State aforesaid as appears by the Tax Collector's Certificate hereunto annexed. On which said tract of land he has erected a griss mill [gristmill] and a saw gier [?] for Cleaning of Cotton independent of a good stock of horses, cattle, hogs and other personal property. That a wife who enjoys a good State of health and himself composes his white family. Your Petitioners consider the said George Lewis is in independent Circumstances and free from want; therefore your Petitioners pray that your Honorable body may take the subject of their Petition into consideration and dispose of the same as appear meet [?] – And your Petitioners in duty bound will ever pray

Henry Turner
Drury McMillian
James Quinn

Samuel Gilbert
Jervis Gilbert
Obadiah Gilbert

Edward Turner
William Cantwell

Henry Turner
Dr. J. McMillan
James Quinn
George Jones
Edward Turner
Wm Cantwell

William Brannan
Benjamin Lewis

Samuel Gilbert
James Gilbert
Abraham Gilbert
William Brannan
Benjamin Lewis

I do hereby Certify that George Lewis paid tax on 212 Acres of Land & 6 Negroes for the year 1813

S/ Tho. Bomar

[Note: Lewis was stricken from the pension list.]